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Dear Sirs:

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
- UTILITIES COMMISSION

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I am writing because of Trans-Canada Pipeline wanting to take my land for a long period of time. It seems that they will not look for a different way to exchange the route so that farmers could farm their land.

If they come on my land, they will have to go thru water two or three different places to put the pipeline in the ground.

They say that there pipeline will not leak oil into the ground but everyone knows that wont happen! The leadgases will go into the land, and then ruin the land, for many years.

If they apply Eminent domain- Condemnation to obtain 50 ft permanent easements plus 60 feet of additional workspace. They offer a small one time payment giving them ownership for 99 years.

The pipeline will leak at some point in time. The petroleum Residust will is gotten from Canadian tar sands and contains arsenic, mercury, and lead among other poisons.

Many feel that pipeline does not meet of public necessity as its sole purpose is to pass through the state.

Eminent domain should not be used!!!

Sincerely
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